

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 1946

REGULAR MEETING - Beginning at 8:00 P.M. of Wednesday, March 20, 1946

ROLL CALL - Councilmen Coffield, Riggs, Tolliver, Weihe and Rinn present,  
none absent.

ALSO ATTENDING - City Engineer Henning, Fire Chief Polenske, Chief of Police Jackson.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Minutes of the last Council meeting held March 6, 1946 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS -

Mr Herman Diekman representing Lodi Chapter No. 1, Future Farmers, presented a proposed amendment to the agreement of May 5, 1940 with Lodi Union High School setting forth the rights of the Chapter to certain concessions in Lodi Stadium. Amendment ordered submitted for study and submission at the next meeting.

Mr Frank H. Watson Jr of Lodi Coordinating Council introduced Mr Earl Crandall who presented a series of recommendations of the Coordinating Council having to do with the betterment of auto traffic conditions in the city, (1) co-operation with Lodi 20-30 Club in installation of safety devices near prominent school crossings, (2) the closing of Walnut Street from Hutchins to Rose Street, (3) enforcement of "full stops" at stop signs, (4) special attention to traffic in alleys at their intersection with streets, (5) the licensing of bicycles, (6) stricter enforcement of all traffic regulations. Full discussion of each of the above items was had with Chief of Police Jackson and the Coordinating Council was assured that they would be subjects of present study and future action.

Charles F. Ware appeared in regard to approval of a "Tentative Map" entitled Ware Subdivision in Subdivision of Lot 2, Burr's Addition which had been returned to him by the City Planning Commission as not approved because one of the streets ended at an alley and also that abandonment of another street would make the development of this plat more effective. Mr Ware stated that, if the City would undertake negotiations for changes necessary and follow them to successful completion, he would contribute \$1 600 to the cost and pay the actual costs of abandonment proceedings. This proposal was given tentative approval pending the City Attorney's opinion in legal matters connected therewith.

Rev. M. R. Bailey, Samuel D. Salas, Henry Schmidt, Fred Emerald, R. A. Buchanan Jr and several others being anxious to be heard in the matter of the closing parts of alleys and of Wellswood Avenue, this matter was now brought on for discussion. The report of the City Planning Commission was read, after which the City Clerk stated that he had received a telephoned message from Frederic T. Oakes, Secretary of Northern California Conference Association of Seventh Day Adventists stating that the Conference would withdraw its petition for vacation in so far as it related to the alley in Block 2, Wellswood Park. Rev. Bailey confirmed this statement. Messrs Schmidt and Emerald stated that, although they desired this alley to be closed, they would side with the objectors in the interest of neighborhood harmony.

Resolution No. 1255, declaring the intention of the City Council to abandon that part of Wellswood Avenue between present "Mission" Street and Concord Street and the alley in Block 4, Wellswood Park was then introduced by Councilman Coffield, Weihe second and carried by the assenting votes of all members of the City Council. Mayor Rinn requested members of the City Council to view the disputed alley in Block 2 so that final action in regard thereto might be had at the next Council meeting.

Ezra Ehrhardt representing Lodi Grape and Wine Festival, Inc. requested allocation of use of the Lodi Stadium on Saturday, the 14th day of September 1946 for motorcycle races. On motion of Councilman Riggs, Tolliver second, request granted and the Clerk was directed to so notify the Secretary-Manager of Lodi Hospital Association so that there would be no conflict in dates.

Roswell F. Barbour inquired as to whether the City had taken any steps to acquire surplus housing from the Federal Government for use of discharged veterans. F. S. Van Arsdale of Lodi Chamber of Commerce stated that his organization has investigated this matter and that these units would be allocated to communities needing

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them on a basis of one unit to every 1,000 inhabitants as determined by the last Federal Census. This would entitle Lodi to eleven units. Mr Barbour was instructed to pursue his investigations further and inform the Council as to costs, rentals and restrictions.

At this time the Council returned to its regular order of business and the report of the City Planning Commission on proposed rezoning on three separate errors was read. The City Clerk presented the affidavit of the principal clerk of the publisher of The Lodi Times in proof of due publication of notice pertaining to the following proposals:

Item (1) of the notice, to be rezoned as Industrial District. A parcel of land extending from the southerly end of the present industrial zone on the line common to Lot 3 in Block 3 of Hutchins Addition and Lot 34 of Larsons Addition to the South line of Koenig Subdivision, excepting a strip 165 feet in width lying easterly from South School Street and also excepting that part of Koenig Subdivision lying west of Sacramento Street, its easterly boundary being the west line of the Southern Pacific main line right of way. After reading this portion of the notice, the Mayor called for objections; none were offered and the Clerk reported that no protests had been filed with him. Action on this proposal was then deferred until hearings had been had on all three proposals.

(Item (2) of the notice, to be rezoned as being in the Multi-Family Residence District Zone. A parcel of land 165 feet in width along the east side of South School Street and extending from the present termination of the Multi-Family Residence District Zone and extending to Spruce Street, now zoned for One and Two Families. After reading this portion of the notice, objections were called for, and, there being none filed with the Clerk, this proposal was also deferred for action until conclusion of this series of hearings.

Item (3) of the notice, to be rezoned as Industrial District. A parcel of land south of State Highway 24, Lodi to San Andreas, extending from the west line of Lot 11, Live Oak Colony Map 1 to the easterly city limits whose south boundary is a line beginning on the west line of the above Lot 11 180 feet south of the highway and extending N 89° 50' E to the city limits. After reading this portion of the notice, the Mayor called for objections and none being offered and none being filed with the Clerk, it was declared that in each of the three following proposals, due publication of notice had been had, that no objections of any kind had been offered and that the City Council now had acquired jurisdiction to amend the zoning laws of the City by ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 317, entitled, " AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 238 BY ALTERING THE BOUNDARY LINES OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF CERTAIN ZONES AS DISPLAYED UPON THE AMENDED " ZONE DISTRICT MAP " OF THE CITY OF LODI AND RECLASSIFYING AND REZONING PROPERTIES LOCATED THEREIN " was introduced by Councilman Weine, Riggs second, read at length by the City Clerk, and, by the same motion, ordered laid over for the statutory period of not less than five days.

COMMUNICATIONS-NOTICES-REPORTS :

A letter accompanying several copies of a resolution of the State Board of Health was received from the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering, both relating to restrictions on the disposal of raw or untreated sewage into the streams and waterways of the state. Copies were furnished the Mayor and the City Engineer.

A letter from the Bureau of the Census was read stating that that office was preparing an estimate of costs for a special census as requested by the City Council March 6th.

State Board of Equalization reported applications for alcoholic beverage licenses had been made for the premises at 117 N.Sacramento St and 24 S. Main Street.

The City Planning Commission filed recommendations and reports on the following:

- (1) That the appeal of Edward Parsons, 1240 S.Pleasant Avenue from a ruling of the Building Department be favorable considered and that his present building location be deemed to be in substantial compliance with set back provisions

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of Ordinance No 238. Recommendation approved, motion Councilman Weihe, Riggs second.

- (2) That a permit under Ordinance No. 248 be granted Arthur J. Marlow to construct and operate a trailer camp (camp ground), at 104 N. Cherokee Lane and that a "Use Permit" be issued him for this purpose. Mr F. S. Van Arsdale, Secretary-Manager of Lodi District Chamber of Commerce, as instructed by the Board of Directors of that body, interposed oral objection to this permit on the grounds that camp grounds should not be located along one of the State's principal highways. It appearing to the City Council that Marlow was cleaning up a very undesirable condition and that by this application he would come under the provisions of restrictive ordinances, it was then ordered that the permit sought be granted.
- (3) That rezoning of properties on North School Street be confined to Lots 7 to 13 inclusive of Handel Tract as originally sought by Supermold Corporation, and that the City Council hold a public hearing thereon declaring its intention to rezone these lots to be in the Industrial District Zone. A letter from Supermold Corporation setting forth its intentions as to set-back from School Street, building construction and fencing was read at this time, the same bearing the signature of Robert C. Litts, Attorney for former objectors, annexed thereto, approving the restrictions assumed therein. It was then moved by Councilman Coffield, Weihe second, that rezoning be confined to these seven lots and that a public hearing thereon be held April 17, 1946 beginning at 8:00 o'clock after due notice published according to law.

After reading of letters exchanged between the City Clerk and the District Manager of Union Oil Company regarding the proposed recission of that company's lease on property on the Southeast corner of Elm and Sacramento Streets wherein Union Oil Company stated that it could not abandon this station at this time, Mr F.S. Van Arsdale, Secretary-Manager of Lodi Chamber of Commerce, who has been very active in seeking to obtain this site as part for a bus station, asked that the Council continue its efforts to obtain this location. Mr Paul Schueter of Greyhound Lines stated that he was in process of obtaining other sites, particularly one on West Pine Street about 160 feet west from School Street. Mr Schueter was requested to continue his search and to try to obtain Union Oil Company's acquiescence as the Council did not favor a location on Pine Street such as proposed.

The City Clerk was directed to publish notice in time, form and manner as prescribed by statute for the reception of sealed bids on a franchise for motor bus lines in the city, such bids to be received on or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of May 1, 1946 and to be opened at the regular Council meeting to be held on that date.

Business license applications presented March 6th were ordered granted, the same having been approved by the Chief of Police. Business license applications filed since March 6th were received, read and ordered referred to the Chief of Police.

On recommendation of the Chief of Police, the City Clerk was directed to place the City's order with Krieger Motor Company for four police special Ford sedans and affix his certificate thereto stating the urgent need for these cars.

On the application of General Foreman Thomas G. Killelea, he was directed to employ an experienced lineman in the electrical department at \$215.50, employment to begin March 21, 1946. Motion Councilman Coffield, Weihe second.

On receipt of a certificate of performance and satisfactory completion of his probation, Police Patrolman Russell J. French was confirmed as a regular patrolman and his wages increased \$7.50 per month, effective March 1, 1946


On recommendation of Chief of Police Jackson, accompanied by his oral statement that other police patrolmen were not interested in advancement in grade, Patrolman Ralph Coon was advanced to the grade of Police Sergeant effective April 1, 1946.

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Chief of the Fire Department Polenske having filed certificates of satisfactory performance covering probationary firemen Clifton Cooper and Edward Ehrhardt, these men were confirmed as regular employees and their wages increased \$7.50 per month effective April 1, 1946.

At 12:00 midnight, the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Weihe.

Attest:

  
J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held March 20, 1946 were read at a subsequent regular meeting thereof and approved without correction on April 3, 1946

  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LODI

April 3, 1946